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NEWS RELEASE

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Regarding: Arrests in Burglary Investigation

Case# 25-33657 and 25-33635

On November 15th, 2025, at approximately 3:12 p.m., the Jasper County Sheriff's Office received a report of a motorist assist in the 14700 block of Hwy 6 E, west of Grinnell. Upon arrival a Jasper County Deputy located a bulldozer and pickup truck on the shoulder facing the wrong way against traffic. Three males at the scene were identified as Michael Pearson, Michael Provin, and Charles Loudermilk. Upon further investigation it was discovered that the steel tracked bulldozer had traveled from northeast of Newton on county roads and state highways causing a significant amount of damage. Numerous items located in the pickup truck were discovered to be missing property from a burglary that was reported at a construction site north of Kellogg.

With the assistance of the Grinnell Police Department and Poweshiek County Sheriff's Office, a search warrant was executed at 103 East St, in Grinnell, where Loudermilk was known to be a resident. During the execution of the warrant, additional items were recovered that were listed as missing from the burglary. Additionally, loaded 9mm and .380mm handguns were discovered during a search warrant execution of the pickup that Loudermilk was operating. Provin was cited and released on traffic charges. Loudermilk and Pearson were taken into custody and transported to the Jasper County Jail on the following charges:

Charles Loudermilk age 57:

Burglary 2nd degree- Class C felony

Theft 2nd degree- Class D felony

Control of a firearm as a felon- Class D felony

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Bond total: \$20,000

Traffic and criminal mischief charges for the damages done to the county and state roads with the bulldozer are pending.

Michael Pearson age 53:

Violation of probation warrant
Possession of drug paraphernalia- Simple misdemeanor
Burglary 2nd degree- Class C felony
Theft 2nd degree- Class D felony
Control of a firearm as a felon- Class D felony
Control of a firearm as a felon- Class D felony

Held on no bond

Michael Provin age 73:

Driving while suspended for non-payment of Iowa Fine- Simple misdemeanor
Driving while suspended for incapable of operating a motor vehicle safely- Simple misdemeanor
Driving while barred- Aggravated misdemeanor
Fail to have SR-22 insurance of file as required- Simple misdemeanor

Released to appear at a later date.

Loudermilk is currently on parole with the Iowa Department of Corrections.

Pearson is currently on probation with the Iowa Department of Corrections.

As a reminder, a criminal charge is merely an accusation, and all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

For immediate release:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad M. Shutts", written in a cursive style.

Brad M. Shutts, Sheriff